



**Format for reports of Parties on implementation of the  
Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species  
of Wild Animals (revision of June 2003)**

Reporting format agreed by the Standing Committee at its 26th Meeting (Bonn, June 2003) for mandatory use by Parties, for reports submitted to the Eighth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP8) (Nairobi, 2005).

The questions below combine elements of Resolution 4.1 (Party Reports) adopted by the Fourth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties (Nairobi, June 1994) and Resolution 6.4 (Strategic Plan for the Convention on Migratory Species 2000-2005), adopted by the Sixth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties (Cape Town, November 1999), as well as commitments arising from other operational Resolutions and Recommendations of the Conference of the Parties.

Please refer to the separate instructions on completing the report. Parties are encouraged to respond to all questions, since it cannot be assumed that the absence of a response indicates that no activities taken have place in the current reporting period. Parties are also requested to provide comprehensive answers, including, where appropriate, a summary of activities, information on factors limiting action and details of any assistance required.

Which agency has been primarily responsible for the preparation of this report? <b>Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism</b>
List any other agencies that have provided input: <b>Mammal Research Institute (University of Pretoria), Endangered Wildlife Trust (EWT), KwaZulu-Natal Wildlife</b>

**I(a). General Information**

Please complete any unfilled boxes and amend and/or update as appropriate the information provided in the table below:

Reports submitted:	1994, 1997
Period covered by this report:	
Date of entry into force of the Convention in South Africa:	1 December 1991
Territory to which the Convention applies:	Republic of South Africa
Reservations (against species listings):	None
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Implementing legislation (national):	<p>The Sea-shore Act (Act no. 21 of 1935)</p> <p>The Water Act (Act no. 54 of 1956)</p> <p>The Territorial Waters Act (Act no. 87 of 1963)</p> <p>The Forest Act (Act no. 72 of 1968)</p> <p>The National Monuments Act (Act no. 28 of 1969)</p> <p>The Mountain Catchment Areas Act (Act no. 63 of 1970)</p> <p>The Sea Birds and Seals Protection Act (Act no. 46 of 1973)</p> <p>The Lake Areas Development Act (Act no. 39 of 1975)</p> <p>The Conservation of Agricultural Resources Act (Act no. 43 of 1983)</p> <p>The Environment Conservation Act (Act no. 73 of 1989)</p> <p>The Physical Planning Act (Act no. 125 of 1991)</p> <p>Sea-Shore Amendment Act (Act no. 190 of 1993)</p> <p>Antarctic Treaties Act (Act no. 60 of 1996)</p> <p>Marine Living Resources Act (Act no. 18 of 1998)</p> <p>National Water Act (Act no. 36 of 1998)</p> <p>National Forests Act (Act no. 84 of 1998)</p> <p>National Veld and Forest Act (Act no. 101 of 1998)</p> <p>National Environmental Management Act (Act no. 107 of 1998)</p> <p>World Heritage Convention Act (Act no. 49 of 1999)</p> <p>National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act (Act no. 57 of 2003)</p> <p>National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Act (Act no. 10 of 2004)</p>
Competent authority (Gauteng Province):	Gauteng Department of Agriculture, Conservation, Environment and Land Affairs
Implementing legislation (Gauteng Province):	Transvaal Nature Conservation Ordinance No. 12 of 1983
Competent authority (Free State Province):	Department of Tourism, Environmental and Economic Affairs
Implementing legislation (Free State Province):	Orange Free State Nature Conservation Ordinance No. 8 of 1969
Competent authority (KwaZulu-Natal Province):	Department of Agriculture and Environmental Affairs (KZN Wildlife)
Implementing legislation (KwaZulu-Natal Province):	<p>Natal Nature Conservation Ordinance No. 15 of 1974</p> <p>KwaZulu-Natal Nature Conservation Act, 1992 (Act no. 6 of 1992)</p> <p>KwaZulu-Natal Nature Conservation Management Act, 1997</p>
Competent authority (Western Cape Province):	Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (Western Cape Nature Conservation Board)

Implementing legislation (Western Cape Province):	Cape Nature Conservation Ordinance No. 19 of 1974 Western Cape Nature Conservation Board Act (Act no. 15 of 1998) Western Cape Planning and Development Act (Act no. 7 of 1999) Western Cape Nature Conservation Laws Amendment Act (Act No. 3 of 2000)
Competent authority (Limpopo Province):	Department of Finance, Economic Affairs, Tourism and Environment
Implementing legislation (Limpopo Province):	Limpopo Environmental Management Act (Act no. 7 of 2003)
Competent authority (Mpumalanga Province):	Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Environment
Implementing legislation (Mpumalanga Province):	Mpumalanga Nature Conservation Act (Act no. 10 of 1998)
Competent authority (North West Province):	Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Environment
Implementing legislation (North West Province):	Cape Nature and Environmental Conservation Ordinances, No 19 of 1974 Transvaal Nature Conservation Ordinance, No 12 of 1983 Protected Areas Act (Bophuthatswana) (Act no. 24 of 1987) North West Parks and Tourism Board Act
Competent authority (Eastern Cape Province):	Department of Economic Affairs, Environment and Tourism
Implementing legislation (Eastern Cape Province):	Nature and Environmental Conservation Ordinance 19 of 1974. Ciskei Conservation Act (Act no. 10 of 1987) Transkei Environmental Conservation Decree 9 of 1992 Eastern Cape Parks Board Act (Act no. 12 of 2003)
Competent authority (National Parks):	South African National Parks (SANParks)
Implementing legislation (National Parks):	National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act (Act no. 57 of 2003)
Other relevant conventions/agreements (apart from CMS) to which South Africa is a Party:	International Convention for the Regulation of Whaling 1946 ("Whaling Convention") Convention on Fishing and Conservation of the Living Resources of the High Seas 1958 ("High Seas Conservation Convention") Convention on the High Seas 1958 Antarctic Treaty 1959 International Convention for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas 1966 ("Atlantic Tuna Convention") Convention on Wetlands of International Importance Especially as Waterfowl Habitat 1971 ("Ramsar Convention") Convention for the Conservation of Antarctic Seals 1972 ("Antarctic Seals Convention") Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora 1973 (CITES) Convention on the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources 1980 (CCAMLR) Convention on Biological Diversity 1992 (CBD)
National policy instruments (e.g. national biodiversity conservation strategy, etc.):	White Paper on the Conservation and Sustainable Use of South Africa's Biological Diversity (1997) Draft National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan
Marine Turtle MoU - Indian Ocean / South-East Asia:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Party <input type="checkbox"/> Signed but not yet entered force <input type="checkbox"/> Non-party

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## I(b). Additional General Information

1	<p>Which other government departments are involved in activities/initiatives for the conservation of migratory species in your country? (Please list.)</p> <p><b>National Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism</b></p> <p><b>National Department of Water Affairs and Forestry</b></p> <p><b>Mpumalanga Department of Water Affairs and Forestry</b></p> <p><b>Mpumalanga Department of Agriculture, Conservation, Environment and Land Administration</b></p> <p><b>Mpumalanga Parks Board</b></p> <p><b>Ezemvelo KwaZulu-Natal Wildlife</b></p> <p><b>KwaZulu-Natal Agriculture and Environmental Affairs</b></p> <p><b>Limpopo Province Department of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism</b></p> <p><b>Eastern Cape Department of Economic Affairs, Environment and Tourism</b></p> <p><b>Northern Cape Department of Tourism, Environment and Conservation</b></p>
1a	<p>If more than one government department is involved, describe the interaction/relationship between these government departments: As determined by constitutional imperatives and cooperative governance. Formal through institutional structures and informal at operational level</p>
2	<p>List the main non-governmental organizations actively involved in initiatives for the conservation of migratory species in your country, and describe their involvement:</p> <p><b>The Endangered Wildlife Trust manages the Blue Swallow Working Group (EWT-BSWG) and the Birds of Prey Working Group (EWT-BoPWG). The Working Groups provide a platform that brings together all the stakeholders relevant to the conservation of a specific species or suite of species. The stakeholders include national and provincial conservation agencies, other national and provincial government departments, private landowners, farmers, land managers, other NGO's and interested individuals. Involving all stakeholders in finding solutions to conservation problems results in better integration of the needs of the stakeholders along with conservation needs and results in the development and implementation of realistic practical long-term conservation solutions. The focus is therefore on team-work and integration and integration of conservation and development.</b></p> <p><b>The EWT-Blue Swallow Working Group uses the Blue Swallow as a flagship and ambassador for grassland and wetland conservation.</b></p> <p><b>The EWT-Bird of Prey Working Group uses raptors as flagships and ambassadors for the conservation of wetland, grassland, forest, fynbos, karoo and savanna conservation in South Africa. The Blue Swallow and Lesser Kestrel are both listed on Appendix 1 of the Bonn Convention.</b></p> <p><b>The Middelpunt Wetland Trust is an independent working group aimed at conserving the White-winged Flufftail and its wetland habitat.</b></p> <p><b>BirdLife South Africa and WWF-SA – have supported the ratification of ACAP and continue to be involved in estimating the bycatch of species in fisheries.</b></p>
3	<p>Describe any involvement of the private sector in the conservation of migratory species in your country:</p> <p><b>Many large businesses (e.g. SAPPI, SASOL, Rand Merchant Bank) in South Africa provide much of the funding for the Blue Swallow and Birds of Prey Working Group of the Endangered Wildlife Trust. What these businesses get in return is a positive public image and advertising by being associated with the conservation initiatives in South Africa. The Mazda Wildlife Fund (Samcor) sponsors vehicles for conservation projects on birds of prey in South Africa.</b></p> <p><b>Mammal Research Institute, University of Pretoria</b></p> <p><b>Avian Demography Unit (ADU) and Percy FitzPatrick Institute for African Ornithology (PFIAO) , University of Cape Town – Mr J Cooper is vice-chair of ACAP's Advisory Committee. Mr J Cooper and Professor PG Ryan drafted South Africa's NPOA- Seabirds (National Plan of Action for Reducing the Incidental Catch of Seabirds in Longline Fisheries).</b></p>

4	Note any interactions between these sectors in the conservation of migratory species in your country: <b>Same as above</b>
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